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TO
OFFICERS COMMANDING COMPANIES,
WITH
THEIR ANSWERS.

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
1. The Regiment in *open column* of *Divisions*, where is your place?	Upon the *proper* pivot flank of the Division; for instance, if *Right* in front, upon the *left* of the Company, and vice versâ.
2. The Column is put in motion.	If mine is the leading Company of the Column, I must first ascertain that my person is perfectly square, and take intermediate points in a true line with the object given me to march on; I must also give my particular attention to the *cadence* of step in which I am marching, and be careful to observe my *distance* and *covering*; to these points my whole attention must be fixed. (The Officers and Serjeants in rear of the Company will keep the ranks dressed; the men well locked up, &c.)
3. The Divisions receive the *Caution* to wheel into Line.—" *March.*"	Upon the *Caution* I place myself in front of the centre of my company (my back to it) at three paces distance from the front rank, and remain steady until the word " *March*,"

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	"*March*," when I quickly place myself at the *second* file of the Company upon the *right* of mine, if we have wheeled to the *left*; and at the *second* file of the Company upon the *left* of mine, if we have wheeled to the *right*; and from thence *dress* my company in line with the pivot men of both Companies. I always begin by dressing the three files of my Company nearest to me, the remainder of the Company can then quickly take up the proper line; when they have done so, I give the word "*Eyes front*," and fall in upon the right of my Division, shifting my flank round the rear, if we have wheeled to the right.
4. Rear Rank is cautioned to take *Open Order*, "*March*."	At the word "*Order*" I recover my sword, and at "*March*," I take three paces forward, obliquing to my left, so as to be opposite the *second file*. I face to my right and cover, and when covered, remain steady until the signal to front is given by the Field Officer; I then *front*, and drop my sword to the *port*.
5. At the Caution, Rear Rank take *Close Order*, "*March*."	At the word "*Order*," I recover my sword and face to the right; at the word "*March*" I resume my place upon the right of my Company (moving in slow time), and when I reach my interval, I *halt*, *front*, and *carry* my sword.

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6. The Divisions receive the Caution to *Wheel backwards*, "*March*."	At the *Caution* I place myself in front, and close to the centre of my Company; at the word "*March*" I turn towards it, and observe that the men wheel carefully: having moved to my standing pivot I *halt*, *dress* my Company (or *halt*, *front*, *dress* it, if it has faced about), when it has completed the wheel; when dressed I give the word "*Eyes front*," and place myself upon the flank, touching my pivot man.
7. Marching past in *slow* time to salute.	My Company having brought their shoulders forward at the point which brings it on the line on which I am to salute, I change my flank *round the rear*, when I have quitted the wheeling point *six* paces; as soon as I have got to the right of the Company, I give the word "*By the Right*;" I open my ranks, "*Rear Rank take Open Order*," within *thirty* paces of the General, or Reviewing Officer, and step three paces in front of my second file. When within *six* paces of the Reviewing Officer, I salute (having given a Signal to the Subalterns of my Company with my left hand, that we may salute together.) When *ten* paces past the Reviewing Officer, I recover my sword; I close my ranks, "*Rear Rank take Close Order*," twenty paces from the General, and shift my flank at the same time, giving the word "*By the Left*."

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8. Marching past in *quick* time.	I shift my flank as in slow time, at *six* paces from the wheeling point, and give the word "*By the Right*," observing my distance and covering, and shift by the rear of my Division to the proper pivot, as soon as I have marched twenty paces past the General.
9. The column is closed to the front to *Close Order*.	I take care to cover correctly while on the march, and *halt* my Company at two full paces from the rear rank of the Company in front.
10. Open Column of Divisions, right in front, forms Column of Grand Divisions, and your's is a Right Division.	I face with my Company to the right about $\frac{3}{4}$ which is led by the covering Serjeant (if there is a supernumerary Serjeant to mark the outward flank of the Company). As soon as my Company has cleared the right of the standing Company, (at which place I have taken my post,) I "*halt*, *front*" my Company, and dress it up upon the left Company. I give the word "*Eyes front*," and immediately shift by the rear to the right of my Company.
11. A close Column is cautioned to face to the *reverse* flank to gain ground.	Immediately upon the Caution, I change my flank by the rear; for if I waited until the column had faced, there would not be room to pass between the Companies.

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12. The Column halted and fronted.	I return to my proper Pivot Flank.
13. The Column is faced to a flank to *deploy*, say to the *left*, and you are commanding, suppose the *second* Battalion Company.	I lead my Company until the Captain of the 1st Battalion Company has given the word "*Front turn*," I then halt in my own person, and let my Company move on, and as soon as my rear file has cleared the flank of the 1st Company, I give the word "*Front turn*," and as soon as they have reached within one pace of the Serjeant who has taken up the covering in the new alignement, I give the word "*Halt, dress up*."
14. The Battalion forms open column in rear of a named Company, suppose Grenadiers, and you command that Company, (Grenadiers.)	I shift to my left flank (the proper pivot) to give a point upon which the Companies filing into column may cover in the new alignement.
15. If you command one of the Companies filing into Open Column.	I am cautious to observe my wheeling distance from the Company between mine and the column, and to dress by the heads of the Companies; I conduct the head of my Company to my covering Serjeant, (when I halt in my own person,) allowing it to pass in his rear, until the left has cleared him one pace, when I give the word, "*Halt, front, dress up*," and upon my giving the word "*Eyes front*," I fall in upon the left, the pivot flank of my Company.

16. If

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16. If you command a Company filing into Close Column.	When my Company faces, I disengage with the leading section of "Threes," and keep the precise same distance from the rear of the Company in my front, during the whole march into column, that I had upon setting off. When I reach the column, I let my Company pass, and "*Halt front*" it, when the rear file has passed the covering Serjeant, who has run out when within six paces of the column, and taken up the distance and covering for the Division. Great care must be taken that the leading Company does not step short, else it will check the whole battalion.
17. If it be a Close Column in rear of the Light Infantry.	I lead my Company as above, and recollect that the *right* is the proper pivot.
18. If a Close Column of Divisions be formed upon a central Company, and you command the named Company.	Immediately upon the Caution, (if it be necessary,) I shift my flank.
19. 1st. If the Column deploys upon a central Company, on the alignement of the leading Division, and you are Officer of it.	No. 1. As soon as the Company in front of mine has cleared my flank, I give the word "*Quick March*," and move up in the new alignement, and "*halt*" and *dress* my Company.
2d. If the Column deploys upon a central	No. 2. If in front of the central Company, upon the Caution, I shift my

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Company in line with it, and you command a Company, not the named central Company.	my flank, and if mine is the first Company to be formed upon the named one, I stand fast and allow my Company to pass on until clear for deployment, when I give the word "*Rear turn*," and when my Company has passed the Company already in line, two paces, "*Halt, front, dress up*;" but if mine is any other Company, in front of the above, I lead it on until the Company in my rear receives the word *Rear turn*, when I halt in my own person, allowing my Company to pass on, and give the word "*Rear turn*" as before. If in rear of the Central Company, I lead it as above; and when clear for deployment, I give the word "*Front turn*;" and when within one pace of the Company already formed, "*Halt, dress up*."
20. An open Column of Divisions, right in front, Halted, is ordered to form Column of Sub-divisions.	I advance to mark the point where the left flank of the right Sub-division is to rest, and when it reaches me, I give the word, "*Halt front, dress*."
21. If this be done upon the March.	I step nimbly forward to Sub-division distance, and when the inner File of the reverse Sub-division reaches me, I give the word "*Front turn quick*," (if marching in quick time,) but if marching in slow time, I give the word "*Slow*."

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22. To form Divisions again, either halted or on the March.	When halted, I face to the right-about, on the word "*Face*," being given by the Commanding Officer; and at the word "*March*," I move to the pivot flank of my rear Sub-division: and when the reverse Sub-division has obliqued so as to gain the line of the Pivot Sub-division, I give the word "*Halt*, *front*, *dress*," and take post on the Pivot Flank of my Company. If on the March, and the word *turn* is given by the Commander, I *mark time* until my Pivot Sub-division reaches me, when I order, "*Reverse Sub-division, Front turn*."
23. If the above is done by Companies in succession.	If mine is the leading Company, I do it when ordered, by the commander giving the word for the diagonal advance, or for the Flank march of my reverse Sub-division, as circumstances may require; but if mine is a succeeding one, I do it on the same spot the Company before mine did so.
24. If Sub-divisions be wheeled into line upon the *proper* pivot.	I do as in the case of my *Company* wheeling into Line, and dress both Sub-divisions.
25. If the Sub-divisions form line, by successively wheeling to the flank, *not* the proper pivot; for in-	Immediately upon the *Caution* I shift my flank, and if mine is the leading Sub-division of the column I give the word to my Sub-division "*Left shoulders forward*," and when

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stance, if right in front, and the wheel is to the right.	when it has wheeled the quarter circle, I order "*Halt, Dress.*" But if mine is the succeeding one, I order, "*Left half turn,*" and when the right of my Sub-division clears the rear rank of the one already formed, I order "*Front turn,*" and when the right of mine reaches the left of the one formed, I order "*Left shoulders forward, halt, dress up,*" after which I return to my proper Company place in line.
26. If the Sub-divisions break into Sections.	I take charge of the first Section.
27. If you are to decrease your front by breaking off a few files.	If right in front, I give the word "One, two, three, or four files on the *right*, *Left* turn, *right* wheel;" if left in front, "Files on the *left*, *Right* turn, *left* wheel." To bring them to the front again, I order "*Rear files to the front.*"
28. An Open Column of Divisions is ordered to countermarch by Files.	I shift my flank when my Company faces, and lead it round close always to the opposite hand to which I have faced; and I "*halt, front*" my Company the moment my leading file reaches within one pace of my Serjeant, so as not to give the men time to crowd.

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29. Close Column countermarch by Ranks.	On the word *face* being given by the Commander, I step aside, and place my breast upon my covering Serjeant's outward shoulder, and when the Countermarch is completed, I give the word "*Halt, front, dress,*" and at the *Eyes front*, I replace my Serjeant.
30. If the Battalion advances in line.	I must not attempt to dress my Company on the march, that will be done by the supernumerary rank in the rear; my great care must be to observe perfect squareness in my own person, and to keep the proper cadence and dressing, as every other individual should do.
31. The Battalion retires in line.	I face about with the rest of the Battalion, and I do not change places with my Serjeant, but remain with the then rear rank, so as to be in my proper place the moment "*Halt, front*" is given; when a column retires, I shift to the then front rank, to judge my distance and to cover.
32. The battalion retires by alternate Companies.	If I am not already upon the inward flank of my Company, I shift to it the moment the Company faces about, this enables me to keep my interval more correctly.

33. The

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33. The Battalion retires by Files or Threes, from the right or left of Companies.	I lead out square, and dress and keep my distance, if in file from the right of Companies, from the left and vice versâ, or from any Company named by the Commanding Officer as the Company of direction. The same direction is to be observed in advancing by Files.
34. If the Battalion changes front by the march in Echellon.	My Company having wheeled the given number of paces, and being correctly dressed, to ensure which, I must not suffer the File (the 8th) which has wheeled to the Serjeant to move, after it touches him; I carefully observe my relative situation with the Company in front of me; I keep the same distance from it, and cover the same file on the march. I also observe my oblique covering on the line of Pivots. When I reach the outer shoulder of the rear rank man, on the Flank of the Company formed before me, I give the word "*Shoulders forward*," and place myself in front of the flank of that Company, from which I dress my Company when it gets into line.
35. If the Battalion advancing in Line gains ground to a Flank by the march in Echellon of Sub-divisions or Sections, say to the *right* flank.	I don't move from the right of my Company, but remain there and conform to the rules of Echellon March.

36. If

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36. If to the *Left* Flank.	I remain with my rear Sub-division or Section, but shift to the left of it, and if wheeled back into Line, resume my place on the right.

Memoranda.

It is better to halt in *rear* of an alignement, and *dress up*, than to allow the line to be overstepped. Always leave the object, upon which you dress, well open to view; for instance, *half a pace* in front—Dress your Company from the Pivot of the Company already in line, and the two files beyond him, to your own Serjeant, and the distant object. Whenever in *close* Column it becomes necessary to shift your flank, do so upon the *Caution* and not *after* the Company *has faced by Threes*, when there ceases to be room between the Companies.

It is essentially necessary that when the front of a Column is increased or diminished by divisions *in succession*, that the words of Command should be repeated at the *precise same spot* upon which they were given by the Company in front, if the Column be in motion; if it be halted, the words are given *instantly* after the Commanding Officer has given the *Caution*, this latter mode is the best even where the Column is in motion.

When a Company is marching to a flank, by files, threes or fours with its right leading, and receives the word of Command *to the front form Company*, the Officer commanding instantly inclines to the left flank, which becomes the proper Pivot, looking to his Company as he inclines, that he may observe that the files touch to the right *and dress by the left;* as soon as they have completed the quarter circle, he gives the word *forward, by the left*, and takes post upon the flank, and if in Column, observes his distance in covering.

As in all other things, *practice* is absolutely necessary; this will be obtained by *one* Company in a Regiment, Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and Privates, being kept off duty

duty every day, for the purpose of *minute inspection* and *particular drill*.

The Young Officers and all the Serjeants should attend the Adjutant at the Orderly Room, every day, for an hour, previous to their *second* Drill, when he should recapitulate to them the errors that were committed in the morning, and they should be asked their particular duties and positions in the various manœuvres, and be referred to the Catechism for their instruction.

This House Drill should be carried into effect with the aid of wooden platoons and small markers, to distinguish the Officers and Serjeants. The theory of this hour should be practised the Drill following.

QUESTIONS TO COVERING SERJEANTS.

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
1. When the Regiment is in Open Column of Divisions, where is your place?	In rear of the second file from the flank where the Officer commanding the Company is stationed.
2. When the Open Column is put into motion.	I still continue to cover the second file.
3. The Column, right in front, receives the Caution "*Wheel into Line, March.*"	Immediately upon the caution, I slip round the rear to the wheeling flank, wheel round with it, so as to keep the Officer's place in Line, and I do not fall back until the Officer has completed the dressing.
4. If the Column is Left in front.	I continue in rear of the second file from the Pivot until the wheel is completed, when I step into the front rank and preserve my Officer's place until he gives the word "*Eyes front*," I then fall back into the rear rank and cover him.

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5. When the Ranks are opened, "*March*."	At the Command "*March*," I take an oblique step to the left, and cover the right-hand man of the front rank, until the supernumerary Officers have passed, when I step into the Officer's place in the front rank.
6. The Ranks closed again, "*March*."	At the Caution I face to the right, and on the Command "*March*," I take two side steps to my right and one backwards, which places me close in rear of the right file, where I remain until the supernumerary Officers have passed, I then cover my Officer.
7. The Divisions wheeled into Open Column from Line.	Whether the wheel is performed backward or forward, I fall back two paces at the Caution, and during the wheel, (if necessary,) incline towards the pivot flank.
8. If you belong to the leading Division.	In wheeling either into Line or Column, I run out at the Caution and mark the point where the wheeling flank is to rest.
9. Marching past in slow time.	The moment the Officer opens the ranks, and moves out to salute, I step up into his place, and take great care to cover, and keep my wheeling distance from the *front rank* of the Company before me.

10. Marching

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10. Marching past in quick time.	I keep in the rear covering the *second* file from the right of the Company, at two paces distance.
11. The column is closed to the front to *Close Order*.	While it is in motion, I cover the second file; when it is *halted*, I cover the Officer.
12. The Column of Divisions is formed into Column of Grand Divisions, and yours is a right Company.	I face with my Company to the right about three-fourths, and run out to take up the covering on the left Company. I remain upon the right flank until the Company is dressed, when I change places with the Officer, and go to the left flank.
13. If a Column of Divisions receives a Caution to take ground to the reverse flank.	Immediately upon the Caution, I follow the Officer to the reverse flank.
14. The Column is *halted* and *fronted*.	I return (following the Officer) to the proper pivot flank.
15. The Column of Divisions is faced to a flank to deploy.	When the Officer halts in his own person, I place myself in front of *the front* rank file-leader of my Company, and in leading out, am cautious not to incline to the new alignement or fall off from it. When the Officer is with the Division, I place myself in front of the centre man of the leading Section of Threes.

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16. The Division is halted, fronted, or turned and marched up into Line.	When within eight paces of the point of formation, I run out and take up the covering in the new Alignement, and will remain there steady until the third Company from me receives the word "*Eyes front.*" A supernumerary Serjeant, or the rear rank right-hand man, keeps the place of the Officer, while he is dressing his Company.
17. If a Column of Divisions *halted*, is ordered to form Column of Sub-divisions.	If no second Officer is present, I take Command of the rear Sub-division. If the rear Sub-division is likewise commanded by an Officer, I cover the second file from the pivot flank of the leading Sub-division.
18. If this be done *upon the March.*	If no second Officer is present, I take Command of the rear Sub-division, and cautiously observe my distance and covering. When Divisions are formed again, I resume my place in rear of the second file. If an Officer commands the rear Sub-division, I move to the front, and cover the second file from the Pivot where the Officer is posted.
19. If the Sub-divisions right in front be wheeled into Line upon their proper Pivot.	Immediately upon the Caution, I pass through the interval and place myself on the right flank of the front Sub-division, wheel with it into Line, and there keep the place of the Officer whilst he is dressing

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	dressing the Sub-divisions, except I am coverer of the leading Company. In that case, I run out and place myself in line with the Pivots, to mark the place where the wheel is to be completed.
20. If the Sub-divisions be ordered to form Line, by successively wheeling to the flank not the proper Pivot, for instance, if right in front and they wheel to the right.	If I command the rear Sub-division, I shift my flank upon the Caution, and when my Sub-division having obliqued a little to the left at my order "*Left half turn, front turn*," has cleared the left flank of the one already in Line, I give the word, "*Left shoulders forward, halt, dress up*," and then I fall to the rear, leaving the Officer to dress the Sub-division.
21. The Column of Divisions is ordered to countermarch either by Files or Ranks.	On the Command "*Right*," "*Left*," or "*Outwards face*," I face to the right-about, and remain steady until the Company is dressed, when I fall back for the Officer commanding to take my place.
22. If the Sub-divisions shall have broken into Sections.	Should there not be Officers to take charge of all the Sections, I fall back with the second Section; but should there be Officers sufficient, I cover the second file from the Pivot of the leading Section.
23. Sections right in front wheel into Line.	I pass through the interval and take post on the right of the front Section, and wheel into Line with it.

24. If

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
24. If Left in front.	At the cautionary Command "*Wheel into line*," I fall back to the rear of the Company, and at the completion of the wheel, place myself on the right of the front rank, to preserve my Officer's place during the time he is dressing it.
25. If Files be doubled up.	I pay attention that they double from the reverse flank, and make them lock well up.
26. If the Battalion forms open Column of Divisions in rear of a named Company (suppose Grenadiers,) and you are covering Serjeant of Grenadiers.	Immediately upon the Caution I step in front of my Officer, and take *six* paces forward, face my Officer, and cover in the new direction; thus giving a point upon which the other Serjeants cover.
27. If you belong to one of the Companies filing into Column	I place myself in front of the centre-rank man of the leading Section of "Threes;" when I have got within six paces of the Column, I run forward to take up my distance, (which my eye should do without pacing it,) cover correctly, and remain steady until the Company is dressed, when I fall to the rear.
28. If the Column formed is a *close* one, and in rear of a named Company, suppose Grenadiers.	When my Company is within six paces of the Column, I run out and cover exactly at two full paces distance from the rear rank of the Company in front.

29. If

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
29. If it be in front of a Company, and suppose Light Infantry.	I run out as in the above instance, but first face the Column to cover, leaving *three* paces, (because I must leave room for my rear rank,) and then go about.
30. If the Battalion forms Close Column (either flank in front) on a central Company, and you are Covering Serjeant of the named Company.	I move in front of the proper pivot flank a sufficient distance to admit the other Companies into Column, and I cover in the new direction, thus giving a point upon which the Companies that form in rear of my Company may cover.
31. If the Column deploys on a central Company, and you are Covering Serjeant of the named Company, and in Alignement with the leading Division.	I immediately step forward to the front of the Column, opposite one of the flank men of the Company, and face inwards, thus giving a point from which my Company may dress when it comes into the new Line.
32. If the Battalion changes front by the March in Echellon.	Upon the Caution being given to *wheel up*, or wheel back any given number of paces, I move quickly to the eighth file, (always from the standing flank) if to wheel forward the file of the front rank, if *backward*, the file of the rear rank, take the number of paces to the hand directed, and dress with the pivot man. I remain steady until the Company is perfectly dressed: I then take post on the outward flank. As soon as the Company reaches within eight paces of the Line to

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QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
	be formed, I run out and take up the Covering, and remain there until the third Company from me has received the word "*Eyes front.*"
33. If Echellon of Sub-divisions or Sections.	I take command according to the number of Officers present. If there are Officers to each Division or Section, I cover the second file from the Pivot of the leading Sub-division or Section.
34. If the Battalion advances or retires in Line.	I don't attempt to assist in dressing my Company, but look straight before me, observe perfect squareness in my own person, and keep the proper cadence and dressing as every other individual should.
35. If by alternate Companies.	I do not follow my Officer to the inward flank.
36. The Battalion retires by "Threes," from the right or left of Companies.	I place myself in front of the centre man of the leading Section of "Threes," until I get within *ten* paces of the Line about to be taken up, when I run forward and cover quickly; I remain steady until my Company receives the word "*Eyes front,*" I then fall to the rear and cover the second file from the pivot flank.

37. Your

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
37. Your Company is ordered to Close to the Right or Left by the Side Step.	As soon as the Officer steps out to the front I take his place in the front rank.
38. When you change from one flank to another of your Company.	Invariably I change round the rear.
39. What number of paces are required for a given number of files.	I first calculate on two-thirds, and add an inch afterwards for each file I take distance for.
40. A Double Column of Sub-divisions (formed on the two centre Sub-divisions) is ordered to form line on the two Centre Sub-divisions facing to the rear, and you are Covering Serjeant of a Centre Company.	Upon the Caution I change places with the Serjeant of the other Centre Company by the rear of our Divisions, and take care to leave sufficient room for the Colours to resume their position in line.
41. The formation to line is required upon the Alignement of the two Rear Sub-divisions facing to the rear, and you are Coverer of a Centre Company.	I change place with the Coverer of the other Centre Company and move along the flanks of the Column, and take up the alignement of the Rear Division.

42. When

QUESTIONS. ANSWERS.

42. When retiring in double Column of Sub-divisions from the Centre it is intended to form line to the former rear, and you are a Serjeant dividing two Sub-divisions.

When on the march the wings receive the order "*Inwards turn,*" I mark time until the word "*front turn*" is given.

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43. A Battalion halted in line is to change front to the Rear upon the Centre, and you are Coverer of a Centre Company.

Upon the Caution I change places with the other Centre Serjeant, and take up the new point of formation, covering upon a Centre Serjeant.

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44. When the Battalion is to change position on a central halted Company, by the flank march of Companies by "*Threes*" and that one wing is thrown forward and the other backward, and you Coverer of the named Company.

As soon as the Company has wheeled sufficiently back, I run out, cover in the new direction and mark the wheeling point of the Company. The Serjeant of the Company on my right (or left, if the Company has wheeled back on its right,) takes distance for his Company from me.

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45. A Column of Companies is ordered to form Grand Division Squares, and you are Coverer of a Right Company.

On my Company receiving the word "*By Sub-divisions on your Centre four paces backwards wheel.*" I take up four paces from the outer flank; another Serjeant likewise marks the four paces from the other flank.

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
46. A Column formed at quarter distance is ordered to change its front and wings by forming four deep.	While my Company is passing through the intervals of the other Companies, I place myself in rear of the pivot file.

Questions to Centre Serjeants.

1. The Line is ordered to advance, and you are centre Directing Serjeant.	Immediately on the caution "*The Line will advance*," I fix on points, and march six paces direct to my front, taking great care that my body is parallel to the Line, pay attention, and conform to the directions I may receive from the Adjutant, or other Officer in rear of the centre. And on being informed that I am perfectly square placed (should he not have ordered me to march on any particular object), cast my eyes down the centre of my body to the point of junction of my heels, carrying forward an imaginary line perpendicular to my own front, and to that of the battalion, and fix on a point at 100 or 150 paces distant, and afterwards take up an intermediate one, and march direct on them, selecting others as I successively approach the nearest of these points, so as never to have less than two.

2. State

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
2. State the Duties of the other Centre Serjeants when the Line is ordered to Advance.	The instant the directing Serjeant moves out of the front rank, the two Serjeants who cover the Colours pass quickly through the interval and place themselves in front of them. The Serjeant in the rear rank who covered the directing Serjeant moves into the front rank between the Colours, the Serjeant in the supernumerary rank moves into the rear rank and covers the King's Colour;—on the word "*Steady*," being given by the mounted Officer in the rear, the two Serjeants who moved in front of the Colours step off in quick time and align themselves upon the one already posted. The Serjeant between the Colours must be very particular during the advance, to correctly cover the directing Serjeant and step with him.
3. The Line is ordered to Retire.	On the caution, the Centre Serjeants face to the right about, the Serjeant who covers the directing Serjeant takes an oblique pace to his left, to allow the directing Serjeant to take his six paces from the rear rank. The other arrangements are the same as directed for the advance.
4. When the Battalion Advances or Retires by Alternate Companies.	The Centre directing Serjeant and King's Colour remain with the right Centre Company, a[illegible] the Serjeant in the supernumerary rank. The Serjeant who covers the directing Serjeant and Regimental Colour

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
	Colour remains with the left centre Company. In either advancing or retiring, the two former Serjeants move out six paces, the same as directed for the advance or retreat of the Line.
5. When the Battalion Advances or Retires by Half Battalions.	The arrangements are the same as directed for the advance or retreat of Alternate Companies.
6. When the Battalion advancing in Line is ordered to Charge.	Immediately upon the Caution, "*Prepare to Charge*," the advanced Serjeants mark time until the Line reaches them, when they will place themselves in their relative situations.

Memorandums for Supernumerary Serjeants.

1. In open Column of Companies.	Supernumerary Serjeants are divided in the rear of their respective Companies, at two paces distance from the rear rank, so as that each shall have a portion under his eye, keep the men steady and make them lock up well, and prevent running in wheeling, &c. &c.
2. Companies wheeled into Line.	They wheel up with their Companies and remain in the same situation as above, except that they are *three* paces, instead of *two*, from the rear rank.

3. Marching

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
3. Marching pass to Salute in slow or quick time.	They are three paces in rear of their Companies, dressing by the right.
4. In Close Column of Divisions.	They are upon the reverse flank of the Column.
5. When they Deploy.	They move to the rear, forming a *line*. Serjeants of grenadiers on the right, and so on, and *halt front* with their Companies.
6. If Close Column of Divisions.	They fall to the rear of the Column, forming a line there. Serjeants of grenadiers on the right, and so on.
7. The Column of Divisions deploys.	They face with the Column, halt when their Companies do, close up, and move with them up into line.
8. Whenever, in Close Column, it becomes necessary for the Officer to change his flank.	They always wait until he has changed, and then they shift, so as not to meet each other.
9. If you are Supernumerary Serjeant of a Central Company upon which a Close Column is formed.	If there are no markers, I fall to the rear a sufficient number of paces to admit the Companies that are filing into Column, and I cover carefully in the n[illegible] Line; thus giving a point upon which the Covering Serjeants of the Companies in front of mine take their direction.

10. If

QUESTIONS.	ANSWERS.
10. If you are Supernumerary Serjeant of the Central Company upon which the Column deploys and forms Line.	Immediately upon the Caution I move up with the covering Serjeants and face inwards, so as to form a base for the Company when marching up.
11. If a Column of Divisions breaks into Columns of Sub-divisions.	The Supernumerary Serjeants follow the movements of the Sub-divisions in rear of which they find themselves.
12. If a Column of Divisions breaks into Sections.	They take charge, according to seniority, of the rear Sections (if there are no Officers); if there are Officers, they remain in rear of their Sections, and follow their movements.

Memoranda.

In short, at all times when the Company breaks into Sub-divisions or Sections, the Supernumerary Serjeants follow the movements of the particular part of the Company immediately in their front, and except in Close Columns (when they take post upon the reverse flank) they are at all times in rear of their Companies, and so divided as that each S[illegible]rjeant shall have a portion of it under his eye, to make [illegible] ranks lock well up, to keep the men steady, and to pre[illegible] running in wheeling, &c. &c.